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SOUTHEAST ASIA/PACIFIC

XINHUA 26 JAN-9 FEB REPORTAGE ON PHILIPPINES ELECTION

Marcos Assures 'Clean' Election

OW261637 Beijing XINHUA in English 1507 GMT 26 Jan 86

[Text] Manila, January 26 (XINHUA)--Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos reassured the nation here today that the presidential election scheduled on February 7 will be clean, free and honest, according to a presidential press release.

Marcos gave his assurance during a marathon session with the National Directorate and regional leaders of the ruling New Society Movement (KBL).

The statement was made in the wake of fears expressed by the opposition and some sectors that there will be cheating and fraud in the voting day and afterwards.

The influential Archbishop of Manila Jaime Cardinal Sin in a letter a week ago said that some people and groups had already hatched a "very sinister plot" to frustrate the honest and orderly expression of the people's genuine will.

At the same time, Marcos asked the leaders of the ruling party from the different regions, provinces and cities to help keep peace and avoid violence.

As a precautionary measure against possible violence, Marcos informed the KBL leaders that he has ordered the disarming of all civilians carrying firearms in violation of the electoral code.

According to a joint military and police report, 13 people have been killed and six others wounded so far in the campaign.

Among the dead, nine were opposition local leaders or followers of the opposition presidential candidate Mrs. Aquino and four belonged to the ruling party.

Metro-Manila 'Red Alert'

OW272137 Beijing XINHUA in English 2100 GMT 27 Jan 86

[Text] Manila, January 27 (XINHUA)--The Metro-Manila command of the Philippine Constabulary (PC Metrocom) today raised the red alert to thwart any attempt to disrupt the February 7 presidential elections.

According to the PHILIPPINE NEWS AGENCY, Major General Prospero Oliva, PC Metrocom chief and director of the metropolitan police force, announced the red alert during a hurriedly called Metropolitan Command briefing covering peace and order during the forthcoming special presidential polls.

Metrocom agents have confirmed the presence of some 200 to 300 fully-equipped armed city partisan members of the New People's Army (NPA), the news agency quoted Olivas as saying.

The report also said that military assets within the Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP) hierarchy have revealed plans by the underground movement to hold the terror campaign simultaneously with mass protest actions, including a transport strike.

The same assets also confirmed the presence in Metro-Manila of top-ranking CPP leaders.

Olivas said the armed partisans have been fanned in all four cities and 13 towns in the national capital region to conduct liquidations and infiltrate mass protest actions.

Workers Rally Against Election

OW282028 Beijing XINHUA in English 1503 GMT 28 Jan 86

[Text] Manila, January 28 (XINHUA)--One of the biggest trade unions of the Philippines held a rally here this afternoon to press for a boycott of the coming presidential election and its demand for wage increases.

The about 2,000 workers attending the rally organized by Kilusang Mayo Uno (KMU, May First Movement) also protested against repression of striking workers.

Speaking at the rally, Nick Elmal, secretary general for mass campaign of KMU, said the February 7 election is not an answer to the problems the country is facing today. He termed the election a "lopsided" contest through which Marcos hopes to secure a new mandate and prolong his rule.

The participants in the rally denounced several recent incidents of strike violence, during which five workers were killed. They demanded that justice be given to the victims.

According to Elmal, the KMU has also held rallies and other forms of mass action in industrial areas of Mindanao and Visayas.

Marcos Threats Against U.S. Envoy

OW292114 Beijing XINHUA in English 1629 GMT 29 Jan 86

[Text] Manila, January 29 (XINHUA)--Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos said today he will take actions against U.S. Ambassador Stephen W. Bosworth for "intervention" in the country's internal affairs.

Marcos made the statement at a press conference in Davao City, Mindanao, after addressing some 15,000 people in a campaign rally for the February 7 presidential election.

Bosworth on January 27 publicly criticized the Philippine Government for its failure to ensure the holding of clean and orderly elections.

Political Affairs Minister Leonardo Perez and other officials yesterday urged the Foreign Ministry to summon the U.S. envoy to substantiate public statements "which are patently insulting to the sovereignty of the Philippine Government and the Filipino people, and which clearly constitute foreign intervention in the election."

Two New Election Commissioners

OW301740 Beijing XINHUA in English 1621 GMT 30 Jan 86

[Text] Manila, January 30 (XINHUA)--President Ferdinand Marcos today appointed Jaime J. Layosa and Ruben Agpalo to the Commission on Elections (Comelec), bringing the total number of Comelec members to nine.

Speaking in an open forum at the Rotary Club today, Marcos stressed that he personally does not know the two new commissioners and that the decision to appoint them was based on their qualifications and the recommendation of various civic groups.

Analysts view the appointment of the two new commissioners as a reaction to criticisms from some U.S. officials, including Ambassador Stephen Bosworth, who earlier openly criticized the non-appointment of the two vacancies.

Besides, Marcos asserted at the forum that only the National Assembly is authorized to declare officially the final count of election returns and the winner in the Feb. 7 presidential elections.

"All election returns must be sent to the office of the speaker officially and receipted for," the president said.

He emphasized that the Comelec has jurisdiction over the ballots from "the voting time and up to the time the returns are sent to the speaker."

If the count of the Comelec conflicts with the report in the office of the speaker, Marcos said, the speaker and the National Assembly may claim the right to decide exactly what the votes are.

Marcos Hopes for Stability After Election

OW301730 Beijing XINHUA in English 1443 GMT 30 Jan 86

[Text] Manila, January 30 (XINHUA)--President Ferdinand Marcos said here today that whatever might happen in the February 7 election he would perform his "duties as president of the Republic of the Philippines, which include a peaceful and successful transition of government."

He told a forum of 800 businessmen that should he win the February 7 election he would immediately start a constitutional review "to determine finally the form of government," whether it would be the semi-parliamentary French model or the U.S.-inspired presidential model.

The constitutional review, he said, would also determine the need for setting up a council of advisers to help the president in the formulation of policies.

Marcos also said he had rejected a proposed debate between him and opposition candidate Corazon Aquino lest a possible riot should break out between his supporters and Mrs. Aquino's.

Rumors on Marcos Substitute Candidacy Denied

OW311945 Beijing XINHUA in English 1920 GMT 31 Jan 86

[Text] Manila, January 31 (XINHUA)--The Philippines' ruling New Society Movement (KBL) has no plan to substitute Mrs. Marcos for President Ferdinand Marcos as KBL presidential candidate, presidential executive assistant Juan C. Tuvera declared here today.

According to a presidential press release, Tuvera said Marcos has no plan to withdraw his candidacy and that he is not ill, much less incapacitated. None of the circumstances under which a substitution can take place exists, he added.

"The nation can therefore rest assured that no substitution in KBL candidates will take place and that the people will have the opportunity to reelect the president," said the assistant.

Opposition presidential candidate Corazon Aquino earlier said that in the wake of reports alleging that Marcos' health has taken another turn for the worse, Marcos might withdraw and let Mrs. Marcos file her certificate of presidency before noon on the very day of voting.

Under the Philippine Omnibus Election Code, in case the presidential candidate withdraws or is incapacitated, a substitution is allowed until noon of the election day.

In the last two days, Mrs. Marcos has taken over the campaign chores in Mindanao for her husband.

She spoke to some 50,000 people during her visits to the capital town of Malaybalay in Bukidnon Province yesterday and the capital city of Gen. Santos in South Cotabato this morning.

Marcos' scheduled visit to the central city of Cebu tomorrow has been cancelled and Mrs. Marcos will be likely the one to lead the campaign rally there.

Marcos on Future U.S. Aid

OW011158 Beijing XINHUA in English 1149 GMT 1 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 1 (XINHUA)--Philippine President Marcos said today he took U.S. President Reagan's recent statement about more aid to the Philippines as a "support to the country's democratic processes".

Marcos made this remark at a press conference in the presidential palace which lasted more than one hour this morning.

President Reagan said on January 30 that he would ask the Congress for more military and economic aid to the Philippines if that country's February 7 election is free and fair and is followed by economic, political, and military reform.

"He is not in support of anyone but in support of free, honest and clean elections," Marcos said.

Marcos denied he and his family have any illegally acquired "hidden wealth" in the United States.

He said he has completely ignored the investigations being conducted by the U.S. House of Representatives Sub-Committee on Foreign Relations, headed by congressman Stephen Solarz.

He said the intention of the Solarz committee was to influence the outcome of the election.

Commenting reports in the U.S. media alleging that the president was a fake guerrilla hero, Marcos said he was looking into the possibility of an "international conspiracy" against him.

Since there are a number of derogatory reports about him in the U.S. media, he said he wants to know who was orchestrating these negative reports.

He also denied rumors about his health, saying "I'm strong."

World Press Converges for Election

OW040843 Beijing XINHUA in English 0655 GMT 4 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 4 (XINHUA)--Some 700 journalists from all over the world have arrived in Manila to cover the presidential elections on February 7, it was learned from the International Press Club today.

The club, a government agency in charge of foreign mediamen affairs, said that it was expecting more arrivals in the next two days, possibly bringing the number to some 1,000, including reporters, photographers and radio and TV men.

Mediamen of the United States form the biggest group, with a total of 350. They have set up a press center of their own at Manila Hotel, one of the 5-star hotels in the Philippines.

Besides, 116 diplomats of foreign embassies based in Manila have also registered with the Commission on Elections (Comelec) as observers of the elections.

They include the United States, Japan, Britain, Australia, the People's Republic of China and others, the Comelec disclosed today.

However, observers from the American administration are not included.

The official American observer delegation headed by Senator Richard Lugar, chairman of the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, will arrive here tomorrow.

The 21-member U.S. delegation sent by President Reagan will be divided into three teams and is scheduled to fan out to observe the voting in various parts of the country.

Senator Lugar said the delegation's role is to support the democratic process. It is prepared to denounce any signs of election fraud, he said.

Their efforts will also be supplemented by a 40-member semi-official delegation sponsored by both the Democratic and Republican parties.

President Marcos has invited the U.S. delegations to observe the snap elections. However, they should not in any way interfere with the conduct of the elections, Marcos said.

Tabulation Arrangements

OW061318 Beijing XINHUA in English 1307 GMT 6 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 6 (XINHUA)--Two different bodies will tabulate separately the results of the Philippine presidential elections held tomorrow from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

They are the Commission on Elections (Comelec) and the National Movement for Free Elections (Namfrel), an independent citizens' electoral watchdog group.

Some 500,000 people have been mobilized by Namfrel to monitor the election. They will be deployed in the 86,000 precincts throughout the country.

As agreed upon, the Comelec and Namfrel will have separate tabulation centers. Both counts shall be based only on the same election returns in the possession of the election registrar in every municipality and city. They will have a representative at each other's center.

Under the agreement, Namfrel volunteers will gather the election returns, bring them to the election registrars for verification and then transmit the data to Manila by the fastest means available.

The election results gathered by both Comelec and Namfrel representatives shall be then monitored simultaneously to the two tabulation centers for immediate dissemination to the public with checks and counterchecks done by Comelec and Namfrel representatives.

However, both of the quick counts are not final. The official count, according to the Omnibus Election Code, is the one undertaken by the National Assembly after submission by the board of canvassers of the official tallies.

President Marcos pointed out the other day that only the National Assembly and not the Comelec or any other body is supported to tabulate and declare the winner in this election.

If the count of the Comelec conflicts with the report submitted to the office of the spokesman of the National Assembly, the speaker and the assembly may claim the right to decide exactly what the votes are.

A Comelec official said the result of the nationwide poll can be known two or three days after the balloting.

Laurel on Serving Under Marcos

OW071154 Beijing XINHUA in English 1115 GMT 7 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 7 (XINHUA)--Opposition vice-presidential candidate Salvador Laurel said today that he would have no other choice but to accept the people's choice if he is elected vice-president to President Marcos, the PHILIPPINE NEWS AGENCY reported.

Laurel made this statement in his hometown Tanauan, Batangas Province, where he cast his vote at 8:25 a.m. today.

Arturo Tolentino is the running mate of Marcos for vice-presidency, while Laurel is the partner of Mrs. Corazon Aquino, presidential candidate of the opposition United Nationalist Democratic Organization (UNIDO).

It was reported earlier that there are forces in both political parties who prefer to vote a Marcos-Laurel tandem.

Laurel, however, emphasized that he would prefer Mrs. Corazon Aquino as his partner in the highest political post.

Polls Close

OW071337 Beijing XINHUA in English 1309 GMT 7 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 7 (XINHUA)--Millions of Philippines [as received] cast their votes today to choose a president for the next six years.

The polls ended at 3:00 p.m. (0700 GMT) as scheduled with heavy turnouts believed even higher than that of the 1984 parliamentary election. 85 percent of registered voters turned out at the polling centers in May, 1984.

Except for a few isolated incidents, voting has been generally peaceful and orderly. So far there has been no reports of major outburst of violence.

Official results of the balloting is expected to be available in two or three days' time.

President Ferdinand Marcos cast his vote in his hometown in Batac, Ilocos Norte Province, Northern Luzon, while opposition presidential candidate Corazon Aquino took her turn in San Miguel, Tarlac Province, Central Luzon, where her family owns a sugar plantation.

Vote Counting Continues

OW081306 Beijing XINHUA in English 1240 GMT 8 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 8 (XINHUA)--The counting of votes in the Philippine presidential elections has been going on very slowly since yesterday, causing some confusion and anxiety among the public.

As of this writing, 24 hours after the conclusion of balloting, only a small number of returns has been reported to the Commission on Elections (Comelec). Even in the capital, the returns came much slower than expected.

However, partial returns published so far by the Comelec and the National Movement for Free Elections (Namfrel), an independent citizens' electoral watchdog group, showed that opposition candidate Corazon Aquino has a lead over President Marcos.

As of 1:00 p.m. today, Namfrel in its tabulation of returns, showed Corazon Aquino has got 3,307,471 votes as against Marcos' 2,574,680.

There are altogether 26.1 million registered voters all over the country.

In Metro-Manila, Mrs. Aquino garnered 189,237 votes as compared to Marcos' 141,744 votes, according to the tabulation of Comelec at [time indistinct] today.

However, the official PHILIPPINE NEWS AGENCY said today election returns gathered by the agency showed Marcos had garnered 1,374,847 votes, or 57 percent as against Mrs. Aquino's 1,036,437, or 43 percent.

Different figures published by different institutions and newspapers here caused even more confusion.

According to an announcement by Marcos, only the National Assembly is authorized to declare the final official count.

Aquino Asks Marcos to Concede

OW081312 Beijing XINHUA in English 1245 GMT 8 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 8 (XINHUA)--Opposition presidential aspirant Corazon Aquino this afternoon asked Marcos to concede power because the returns of yesterday's election gathered so far indicated her victory.

Mrs. Aquino made this statement at a packed press conference. She said she hoped it will be possible to meet President Marcos next week "to make arrangement of quick and smooth transition of power."

Mrs. Aquino said as of this afternoon she had garnered 3,469,714 votes, while Marcos got only 2,569,498 votes.

Her experts projected that she is going to win by 55 percent or even higher despite all the cheating, fraud and terrorism.

According to an announcement by the National Movement for Free Elections (Namfrel), Mrs. Aquino is leading in 10 out of the 13 regions of the country.

Asked what if Marcos does not concede the defeat, she said she will lead daily peaceful protest demonstrations, but "I would not advocate violence," she emphasized.

Marcos Urges 'Calm, Sobriety'

OW091534 Beijing XINHUA in English 1446 GMT 9 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 9 (XINHUA)--President Marcos today appealed to the nation for calm and sobriety while the counting of ballots in the February 7 presidential elections is still going on according to the PHILIPPINE NEWS AGENCY.

He said to reporters at the presidential palace, "It is presumptuous for anyone to claim having won at this stage, when the Commissions on Elections--the constitutional body charged with canvassing the ballots--has not yet completed the official counting of the ballots."

There were reports that the opposition would start its mass actions with a "proclamation rally" at Bonifacio Plaza, declaring opposition candidate Corason Aquino the winner in the election.

Marcos called on all law enforcement agencies to show utmost restraint in dealing with the opposition's "provocative acts".

More Killed in Election Violence

OW091632 Beijing XINHUA in English 1625 GMT 9 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 9 (XINHUA)--The constabulary of the Philippines today reported that 15 people were killed in post-election violence, bringing the total of fatalities to 95 since December 6, the PHILIPPINE NEWS AGENCY reported tonight.

Of the fatalities, 36 figures [as received] died on election day and in post-election violence. 45 others were wounded in incidents.

The total number of election-related incidents was also reported to have increased to 237, including harassments, ballot-box snatching, ballot-boxes burning, physical injuries, shooting and aborted election in some places because of terrorist threats.

The latest incident was the killing of the brother of opposition assembly man Jolly Fernandez in Masbate last night, the report said.

Marcos 'May Nullify' Election Results

OW091128 Beijing XINHUA in English 1030 GMT 9 Feb 86

[Text] Beijing, February 9 (XINHUA)--President Ferdinand Marcos said at a press conference late last night that he could nullify the results of the Friday election, as the fraud charges continued to pour in, according to reports reaching here today.

The government's official Commission on Elections (Comelec) and the volunteer National Movement for Free Elections (Namfrel) traded charges over the slow-motion count from Friday's poll.

Each side accused the other of hiding or failing to hand over returns. Senator Richard Lugar, head of the official U.S. observer delegation sent to watch for cheating, accused President Marcos of "managing" and "manipulating" the count.

Marcos denied these charges and said he was thinking of nullifying the results of the election if the United States concluded that the election was not clean and refused to accept it.

According to unofficial results issued by Comelec, opposition candidate Corazon Aquino led Marcos by 1,447,859 votes to 1,369,095, while Namfrel said she was ahead by 4,901,020 to 4,154,863. A third count, by a government-run media pool, had Marcos holding 54.2 percent of the vote.

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SOUTHEAST ASIA/PACIFIC

RADIO BEIJING REPORTS ON PHILIPPINE ELECTION PROCEEDINGS

HK070429 Beijing International Service in Tagalog 1130 GMT 6 Feb 86

[Text] In Manila, some 700 journalists from many parts of the world will be covering the presidential elections being held tomorrow. According to the Overseas Press Club, the United States has the most number of journalists in Manila and has its own press center at the Manila Hotel. The American journalists covering the election number 350. Besides the foreign journalists, 116 diplomats from various foreign embassies in Manila have registered with the Commission on Elections to serve as observers. Included in this are the People's Republic of China, Japan, Britain, Australia, and the United States.

The 21-member U.S. delegation sent by President Ronald Reagan will be divided into three groups. According to President Ferdinand Marcos, who invited the delegation, the Americans will not be allowed to interfere in the election proceedings.

Meanwhile in Tarlac, some soldiers were reported to have shot at and broken the windows of a car during a motorcade for opposition candidate Corazon Aquino who was holding her final campaign in her home town. Military spokesmen confirmed that the soldiers attacked the car in which Aquino's sister-in-law Lupita Kashiwahara was riding, claiming they attacked the car because they had been taunted. Aquino was not involved in the incident.

At the advance meeting in Manila held by President Marcos, the president said his administration was strong and capable of meeting any violence started by the opposition.

Meanwhile, the influential Archbishop of Manila Jaime Cardinal Sin, amidst reports that there may be large-scale election fraud, has called on President Marcos to keep the election clean and orderly. This is the third official statement issued by the Philippine Catholic Church dealing with the election.

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SOUTHEAST ASIA/PACIFIC

BEIJING RADIO REPORTS ON PHILIPPINE ELECTION

U.S. Reaction

HK120933 Beijing International Service in Tagalog 1130 GMT 11 Feb 86

[Text] In Washington, President Ronald Reagan told newsmen during a White House conference that a strong bipartisan system exists in the Philippines. He said that once the results of the recent presidential election are known, the United States will endeavor to assist the Philippines in [words indistinct]. White House spokesman Larry Speakes told a press conference in Washington yesterday that the American government views with grave concern reports about violence and irregularities in the Philippine election. A top U.S. government official also said [words indistinct]. He said the U.S. hopes that the Philippines will be a stable ally of the Americans in the Pacific.

Philippine Envoy Raps Western Press

HK150340 Beijing International Service in Tagalog 1130 GMT 14 Feb 86

[Text] In Dhaka, Bangladesh, the Philippine Ambassador Reynaldo Arcillas assailed western press for spreading terrifying reports about civil war and disturbances in Manila. Speaking at a press conference, the ambassador called the reports baseless. According to western reports reprinted in Bangladesh, tanks and troops are seen deployed around the Malacanang Palace and the Batasang Pambansa, indicating possible eruption of violence.

Delay Possible

OW141306 Beijing XINHUA in English 1227 GMT 14 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, February 14 (XINHUA) -- There is a great possibility that the proclamation of the winner of the February 7 presidential elections may be delayed, the Philippine News Agency reported this afternoon.

Although the national assembly may have completed the tabulation of the results today, the PNA said, the proclamation of the winner may be delayed because of objections raised by both the opposition and the ruling party on most of the certificates of canvass.

Of the 54 certificates of canvas so far tabulated, at least 50 have been contested for certain procedural and other defects, the PNA added.

With over one half of the votes tabulated, Marcos led opposition candidate Corazon Aquino by 819,204 votes as of 11:15 last night before the national assembly adjourned. He garnered 6,403,785 votes as against Mrs Aquino's 5,584,581 votes.

Similarly, Arturo Tolentino of the ruling party led opposition candidate Salvador Laurel by 704,685 votes for the vice presidency. He got 6,135,997 votes compared to Laurel's 5,411,312 votes.

Earlier, President Marcos said that according to reports he had received, he surpassed his opponent by a margin of at least 1,500,000 votes.

However, the opposition may not accept the result. Mrs. Aquino claimed earlier to have won the elections. She announced that she will lead mass demonstrations to protest what they allege to be a fraudulent presidential election. A big rally called "people's victory" has been set on Feb 16 in this capital.

Lt Gen Fidel V Ramos, vice chief of staff of the Philippine Armed Forces, admitted that post-election tension in the country was high.

Official Count Favors Marcos

OW151232 Beijing XINHUA in English 1218 GMT 15 Feb 86

[Text] Manila, 15 February (XINHUA) -- the Philippine National Assembly completed the official tabulation of votes cast in the February 7 presidential elections this afternoon with President Marcos leading his opponent by 1,515,481 votes.

According to the assembly, Marcos garnered a total of 10,807,197 votes compared with Corazon Aquino's 9,291,716 votes.

For vice-president, Arturo Tolentino of the ruling New Society Movement got 10,134,130 votes against opposition candidate Salvador Laurel's 9,173,105. The distance is 961,025 votes.

The tabulation, however, is not final since the final count will be made after a debate on the national assembly floor on the objection and manifestation on the certificates of canvass by both the majority and minority party members of the board of tellers of the assembly which conducted the tabulation.

The board is now preparing a report to the national assembly on the manifestations, observations or objections made by board members on the certificates.

Speaker Nicanor Yniguez said the assembly would proclaim the winner after all the questions raised during the tabulation are resolved by the legislative body.

Returns of the presidential elections were first tabulated separately by two different bodies -- the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) and the National Movement for Free Elections (NAMFREL), an independent citizens' electoral watchdog group.

NAMFREL had been publishing election returns which showed the opposition candidate Corazon Aquino was leading Marcos while the COMELEC returns indicated Marcos was seizing the lead.

On February 13, the Philippine National Assembly began the counting of the returns of the elections. The assembly formed a bi-partisan committee to take charge in the official canvas of election certificates. The committee is composed of members of the ruling New Society Movement and the opposition United Nationalist Democratic Organization.

Reagan, Japanese Statements

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[Text] In Santa Barbara, California, U.S. President Ronald Reagan called on the Filipino nation to avoid violence and use peaceful means to settle its post-election problems. This was the first official reaction from the U.S. President on the Philippine election after the Batasang Pambansa declared Marcos the winner last Friday.

Meanwhile in Japan, Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe said that Japan hopes the Philippines will enjoy peace and stability in the wake of the elections. He said he hoped a peaceful dialogue could be maintained between Marcos and the opposition and that reforms will be initiated to benefit the Filipinos. Abe gave assurances that Japan will maintain its ties with the Philippines.

Ver's Resignation

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[Text] President Marcos yesterday accepted the resignation of General Fabian Ver as Chief of Staff of the Philippines Armed Forces. He announced this at a Malacanang press conference when he said that Ver has resigned from all his military positions. Marcos has appointed the Chief of the Philippine Constabulary and Integrated National Police Lieutenant General Fidel Ramos as acting chief of staff.

Marcos' Inauguration Date, Aquino's Opposition

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[Text] In Manila, the inauguration ceremony for President-elect Ferdinand Marcos and Vice President-elect Arturo Tolentino is set for midday February 25. The law specifies that inauguration of the 6-year term of the newly elected officials should take place 10 days after their proclamation by the Batasang Pambansa. This will be President Marcos' 4th term of office. The

Batasan declared him the winner last Friday in the presidential election. Meanwhile opposition presidential candidate Mrs Corazon Aquino has declared her own victory in the election. She has pledged to carry out a nationwide campaign against Marcos. Marcos said he views the oppositions' protest activities with tolerance.

The president immediately announced plans to set up a council of state which will be the presidency's highest advisory body and he invited Aquino to join it, but she has turned down the offer. At a mass rally in Manila yesterday, she vowed to continue the fight against Marcos.

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SOUTHEAST ASIA/PACIFIC

THAI OFFICIAL ON SRV DEPLOYMENT AT BORDER

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[Text] Bangkok, January 27 (XINHUA)--Thailand has to remain alert in face of a Vietnamese military buildup at the Kampuchean-Thai border, Prasong Sunsiri, secretary-general of the National Security Council, said here today.

The Vietnamese have moved eight T-54 tanks and a number of artillery pieces to the area opposite Thailand's key border district of Aranyaprathet in the past two weeks, Prason disclosed during his hour-long meeting with Timothy Renton, visiting British Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs.

Prasong said that although fierce fighting has not yet erupted along the Thai-Kampuchean border this year, but the situation there is still volatile.

The fact that Vietnamese intelligence patrols have sneaked into Thai soil from time to time indicates that the Vietnamese are prepared to launch attacks on the Thai-Kampuchean border, he said.

Regarding the delayed Vietnamese dry-season offensive this year, Prason noted, it might result from the ongoing operations by Kampuchean resistance forces deep inside Kampuchea and around such major towns as Phnom Penh, Battambang, Siem Reap and Kampong Thom.

The British Minister of State arrived here on January 24 and visited border camps the following day. He praised Thailand for its humanitarian assistance to Kampuchean refugees and promised to rally his countrymen's support for Thailand.

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SOUTHEAST ASIA/PACIFIC

NEW ZEALAND SAYS NO UK PORT CALL REQUEST RECEIVED

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[Text] Wellington, February 4 (XINHUA)--Prime Minister David Lange said yesterday that no application for a port visit had been received and neither did he expect one, according to local press reports today.

He made this statement in a reply to claims last week by a peace group, the Coalition Against Nuclear Warships, that Britain would make a request for a port visit to test the labor government's anti-nuclear policy.

The six vessel British task force, which will be in the Pacific for RIMPAC exercise with the United States and Japanese navies and be deployed around Southeast Asia, Australia and New Zealand in July and August, is assumed to be nuclear-armed given the distance from their home ports, the peace group said.

Responding to the statement made last week by retiring Chief of Naval Staff Rear Admiral Cedric Steward that the New Zealand's Navy was not big enough to remain professional without contact and exercises with allied forces, Lange said obviously there would be difficulty "if the United States Navy does not exercise with New Zealand".

"That means New Zealand has to work much harder to keep up the level of proficiency" which had been done with the cooperation of Australia and bilateral naval defence exercises, the prime minister said.

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PI COMELEC POLL OBSERVERS RULES--In Manila, the Philippine election commissioner said yesterday that, in accordance with the law, all foreigners including official and other observers from the United States are prohibited from getting within 50 meters of polling stations while voting is going on 7 February, Commissioner Viocctorino Savellano said in an interview at the commission's headquarters that foreign observers are not banned but that rules are simply being followed. He added that the Philippines is an independent country and it wants to be sure that its laws are not being violated. Restrictions will also be imposed on foreign journalists who used to gather around polling stations to interview and take photographs of voters even as the latter were writing their ballots. [Text] [Beijing International Service in Tagalog 1130 GMT 22 Jan 86 HK] /6662

TU URGING POLL BOYCOTT IN P.I.--In Manila, one of the largest trade unions in the Philippines held a rally yesterday afternoon calling for the boycott of the coming presidential election. Joining the rally were more than 2,000 members of the Kilusang Mayo Uno [May 1 Movement]. [Text] [Beijing International Service in Tagalog 1130 GMT 29 Jan 86 HK] /6662

PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN DEATHS--In news from the Philippines, an official of the ruling Kilusang Bagong Lipunan [KBL] was killed yesterday in southern Luzon, according to the PHILIPPINE NEWS AGENCY. Mayor Padua Lorenzo of Goa, Camarines Sur, was killed by three unidentified gunmen. This brings the death toll in the current election campaign to some 20 persons. Half of those killed were supporters and campaigners of opposition presidential candidate Mrs Corazon Aquino, and the rest were members of the KBL. Observers predict that more deaths and violent incidents will take place in the country until the day of the election. Meanwhile, Constabulary chief Lieutenant General Fidel Ramos has issued orders banning civilians from carrying firearms outside their homes. In Manila yesterday, President Ferdinand Marcos said that whatever the outcome of the election, he will perform his duty as president of the republic to ensure a smooth transition by the government. Marcos said this at a forum attended by 800 businessmen. He also said if he wins the election on February 7, he will immediately initiate a constitutional review body to study if the government should retain its present semi-parliamentary French model or revert to the U.S.-inspired presidential one. The constitutional review, he said, will also look into the setting up of a council of advisers to help the president formulate laws. [Text] [Beijing International Service in Tagalog 1130 GMT 31 Jan 86 HK] /6662

MARCOS COMMENTS ON MARTIAL LAW--In Manila, President Ferdinand Marcos said that he would not declare martial law before the presidential election on February 7. He said this at a Malacanang press conference on 1 February, adding that despite various violent incidents, he believes that by and large the election will be free and honest. According to reports, some 35 persons have already died in election-related incidents. Marcos also commented on the statements of U.S. President Ronald Reagan, who said on 30 January that he will ask Congress to increase military and economic aid to the Philippines if the elections are clean and orderly. Reagan said he hoped the election, will result in economic, political, and military reforms. At his press conference, Marcos said he will continue to support the nation's democratic processes. Meanwhile, opposition presidential candidate Mrs Corazon Aquino held a press conference on the same day and warned that if she loses the election because of fraud, civil war may possibly break out in the country. She also said she would organize protest demonstrations if Mr Marcos wins the election. [Text] [Beijing International Service in Tagalog 1130 GMT 3 Feb 86 HK] /6662

U.S. 'PRESSURING' MARCOS--Some 100 people demonstrated in front of the U.S. Embassy in Manila. They held banners with anti-American slogans condemning U.S. intervention in the Philippine presidential elections. A statement issued by the demonstrators said that President Marcos was pressured by the United States into holding early elections in order to recoup his prestige. The statement also said that the 21-man American delegation will supervise the elections in order to protect Washington's interests in the country. [Text] [Beijing International Service in Tagalog 1130 GMT 4 Feb 86 HK] /6662

THAI RANGERS CLASH WITH VIETNAMESE--Bangkok, February 5 (XINHUA)--Two Thai Rangers were killed on February 3 in a clash with Vietnamese intruders near the Thai-Kampuchean border in Thailand's northeastern province of Ubon Ratchathani, said a report reaching here today. The report said that the clash took place at Pakchong mountain in Tambon Khompradit of Namyuen [spelling of names as received] District where Thai Rangers assigned to defuse Vietnamese-planted landmines, encountered a group of Vietnamese intruders. It was also reported that Thai border patrol policemen in Chanthaburi and Trat Provinces in the east recently went into a special training for fighting intruders along the Thai-Kampuchean border. A senior Thai police official said yesterday that a Thai border patrol policeman was killed and 17 others injured in clashes with Vietnamese intruders during the past two months. [Text] [Beijing XINHUA in English 0832 GMT 5 Feb 86 OW] /6662

THAI-SRV TROOPS CLASH--Bangkok, February 2 (XINHUA)--Thai frontier guards launched counter-offensives yesterday against Vietnamese troops who had intruded into Thai border areas from Kampuchea, the local newspaper NAO NA (FRONTIER) reported today. The report said that a group of Vietnamese troops intruded into Nam Yune District of Prachinburi Province and occupied some hills there since January 25. The Vietnamese also shelled Thai villages intermittently. In yesterday's fighting, two Thai soldiers were killed and 11 others wounded, the report added. [Text] [Beijing XINHUA in English 1451 GMT 2 Feb 86 OW] /6662

VIETNAMESE SHELLS THAI BASE--Bangkok, January 24 (XINHUA)--Vietnamese troops in Kampuchea yesterday launched fierce artillery and mortar attacks on a Thai Marine base in Thailand's eastern Province of Trat, a Thai Marine source announced today. The Vietnamese began shelling the Marine base at Ban Hat Lek in Klongyai District of Trat Province at about 6:30 p.m. when the Marines were having dinner, said the source. Three Thai Marines were killed while many others wounded in the incident. The Thai Marines were forced to retaliate with mortars. Thai Navy gunboats cruising off the Trat coast also joined in the counterattack, the source announced. [Text] [Beijing XINHUA in English 1152 GMT 24 Jan 86 OW] /6662

SRV INTRUDERS ENCOUNTERED--Bangkok, 12 February (XINHUA)--Thai border police killed one intruding Vietnamese soldier and injured several others in the border district of Ta Phraya in Prachin Buri Province yesterday, the local press reported today. While patrolling in the area south of Ta Phraya yesterday morning, the Thai border police discovered that more than 30 Vietnamese soldiers had intruded into Thai soil. The Vietnamese fired at them first and the Thai police returned fire. The Vietnamese intruders were forced to flee after half an hour's fighting. Two Thai policemen were killed and two others injured during the fighting. Colonel Pobsuk Sutranan of the Thai Army disclosed yesterday that 14 Thai border policemen had been killed and 78 injured since last October by mines laid by Vietnamese troops on the Thai-Kampuchean border. [Text] [Beijing XINHUA in English 1038 GMT 12 Feb 86 OW] /12913

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NEAR EAST/SOUTH ASIA

PRC REPORTERS INTERVIEW YASIR 'ARAFAT

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(By Pan Liwen and Rui Yinjie)

[Text] Amman, 8 February (XINHUA)--Chairman Yasir 'Arafat of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) stressed that the PLO has the right to participate in an international conference on Middle East Peace as one of the main parties of a joint Palestine delegation on the basis of equality.

Before his departure here last night, 'Arafat, who just concluded a 14-day visit to Jordan, said in an interview with XINHUA, "The PLO will firmly adhere to the Palestinian people's right to self-determination as the main basis for any serious peace move in the Middle East."

"We will make efforts together with all peace-and-freedom-loving people over the world to push the parties concerned, first of all, the United States, to recognize the right to self-determination of the Palestinian people," he said. "This is the most essential to us, although it is easy to be realized," 'Arafat added. He said that both the PLO and Jordan have insisted on the convocation of an international conference with the participation of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council and all parties concerned. However, he stressed, the conference should be entitled to exercise the right of arbitration.

"This is quite different from the understanding of the United States and Israel who regard the conference only as a form of protection," he said. He expressed his hope that the joint action of Jordan and the PLO would be reinforced. "We need to do so in face of the pressure exerted by the United States and Israel," he said.

Referring to the solidarity within the PLO, he said it is the best way for realizing the reconciliation among the PLO factions to conduct dialogue without any precondition.

The PLO welcomes the efforts made by any party for the reconciliation, he said. Concerning the PLO proposal on making the Syria-Jordan joint communique as the basis of a Jordan-Syria-Palestine joint action, 'Arafat said Syrian brothers have so far not given any response to the proposal. He accused Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres of playing "political games" with the aim

to mislead public opinion while talking glibly about peace but suppressing and slaughtering Arab people in the occupied territories.

The Israeli authorities have confirmed that the Palestinian fighters conducted 800 military operations in the occupied territories in 1985, he said. "This year," he added, "the PLO will intensify its armed struggle in the occupied area."

At the same time, he said, "we will continue to carry out positive and flexible political activities. This is the implementation of the slogan of olive branch in one hand and gun in other."

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SOVIET OFFICIAL RECEIVED--SANAA, 31 January (XINHUA)--'Ali 'Abdallah Salih, president of the Arab Republic of Yemen, received here this evening Soviet First Deputy Foreign Minister Victor Marchiv, who arrived here today for a few days visit. According to radio SANAA, Victor Marchiv delivered a message of Soviet Leader Mikhail Gorbachev to President Salih. This is the second message received by President Salih from the Soviet leader since the eruption of the armed conflict in democratic Yemen on 13 January. During his stay here, Victor Marchiv will hold talks with Yemeni officials on current Arab and international issues and other issues of common interest, radio SANNA said. [Text] [Beijing XINHUA in English 0221 GMT 1 Feb 86 OW] /12913

PRIME MINISTER ON NUCLEAR PROGRAM--Islamabad, 10 February (XINHUA)--Prime Minister Mohammad Khan Junejo declared today that Pakistan's nuclear program is entirely peaceful and directed solely for the economic and social well-being of the masses. Junejo was speaking at the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Pakistan Institute of Nuclear Science and Technology at Nillore, 40 kilometers from here. The Prime Minister said: "We must take every possible measure to ensure that nuclear technology is not used for destruction in this region. In this connection, he mentioned Pakistan's proposal for the establishment of a nuclear weapon-free zone in South Asia and said it has received a strong support in the United Nations. Pakistan hopes that its sincere efforts and offers would evoke a positive response within the region as well, Junejo added. The Prime Minister also referred to a recent agreement between Pakistan and India on refraining from attacking each other's nuclear installations and described it as a constructive effort and a good omen. [Text] [Beijing XINHUA in English 1838 GMT 10 Feb 86 OW] /12913

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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

BRIEFS

US SUPPORT FOR UNITA PROTESTED--Lusaka, 31 January (XINHUA)--Frontline states in Southern Africa have protested the Reagan administration's plan to step up military support for the Union for Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) headed by Jonas Savimbi, which is fighting to topple the Angolan government. Zambian President Kaunda, who is also chairman of the frontline states, revealed this here yesterday when he received Angolan Foreign Minister Van-Dunen Mbinda who delivered a special message to Kaunda from Angolan President Eduardo Dos Santos. Kaunda said: "I have spoken to the American envoy here to express our concern and have requested him to convey to President Reagan that propping up Savimbi is a dangerous move threatening peace in this region." South Africa's frequent invasions of Angola should be checked to ensure peace in the region, he added. "We assure you of our continued support, and the entire progressive mankind is with you. Our moral and political support is stronger than the military might of South Africa," he said to the Angolan Foreign Minister. It was reported that Kaunda has summoned the U.S. Ambassador here and expressed his displeasure at a planned meeting between Reagan and the UNITA leader. [Text] [Beijing XINHUA in English 1311 GMT 31 Jan 86 OW] /12913

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NATIONAL AFFAIRS

PROBLEMS IN CADRE TRAINING STUDIED

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[Article by Hua Shufang [5478 3359 5364]: "Some Problems Which Have to be Solved At Once in the Training for Cadres"]

[Text] At present, the situation in the training for cadres in our city is good. At all levels, the leadership's understanding of the importance and urgency of cadre training has been raised and they have basically arranged in a rational manner the channels for cadre training in the entire city. The active nature of running schools by different quarters has been fully displayed and multi-channel, multi-form and multi-level training for cadres has begun widely. Among the city's cadres, more than 20,000 have participated in various forms of college and secondary technical classes respectively. Various districts, counties, bureaus, and basic units have also sponsored many professional training and cultural tutorial classes. Based on incomplete estimates, there are no fewer than 200,000 cadres in the city receiving various forms of training every year.

1. Guarantee the Quality of Training and Correctly Handle the Relationship Between Diplomas and Standards

In recent years, in the testing and utilization of cadres, academic standards and records have generally been emphasized. This, of course, is necessary; yet, some units and individuals have paid attention only to the academic record. Some cadres whose previous educational levels and foundation are low still insist on going to college and some schools without the necessary qualifications also vie to open college classes and issue college diplomas. Some cadres have repeatedly contacted the schools where they have originally received their training to reissue their diplomas; some units, in entrusting the schools to run classes, have not examined the objective and demands of training and the first thing that they talk about is what kind of diplomas will be issued, etc. We should pay close attention to such a phenomenon of one-sidedly pursuing diplomas while neglecting standards.

We have to pay attention to diplomas, but that is not the only thing. A diploma should indicate the actual standard of a certain academic level. For those with real ability and learning, such diplomas are praiseworthy and we should treasure and use people with such diplomas. Yet for those who have only the diplomas but whose actual abilities do not meet the necessary standards and demands, the value of their diplomas are "deflated." The basic purpose of cadre training is to raise the quality of the contingent of cadres, to improve their level of political, ideological, and cultural understanding and their ability to solve actual problems so as to better serve socialist construction. If we do not stress quality, then we will be nurturing people with diplomas but without standards and deviate from the direction of training.

We have to pay attention to diplomas, but our approach cannot be rigid and uniform. We must proceed from reality and pose different demands for the educational standards of different types and levels of cadres. We should also have different levels of demands for the education and professionalization of cadres. We cannot ignore actual needs and use a rigid and uniform approach to demand a college educational level for everyone.

The unity of diplomas and standards should be built on the basis of the objective pattern of cadre education. There must be corresponding demands for cadres entering different levels of schools for study, including the demand of a knowledge of basic education. For example, in general, one has to attain the junior high level before entering the senior high level or the senior high level before entering the college level. This year, when the special courses for cadres in the institutions of higher learning in Beijing enrolled new students, the entrance requirements stipulated that prospective students must "have the educational level of graduation from senior high (secondary technical) schools." To make allowance for comrades who have become learned through self-study, they also stipulated that "those with equivalent educational background should clearly state in the application the courses in their self-study or tutorial education and these have to be evaluated, approved and certified by the unit before they can apply to take the entrance examination." To have such requirements is to guarantee the quality of entering students and the quality of college training.

The schools responsible for cadre training play a decisive role in realizing the unity of diplomas and standards. To have qualified students, the key lies in training. At present, the major problem is how to assure the quality of training at the various links of education based on the characteristics of the cadres. We must solve this problem for all the different college-level or secondary technical classes and professional short-term courses. From specialties and courses offered to the content and method of teaching to the system of examination and evaluation, we must focus on the characteristics of the cadres and attain the objective of raising the cadres' educational level. At present, we generally apply the approach of the full-time national educational

system and ignore the cadres' characteristics in the content and method of teaching, thereby affecting the raising of the cadres' educational level. With the regularization of cadre education in the past few years, all the different types of cadre training classes should seriously sum up such experiences and make an effort to seize the various links in education and guarantee the quality of cadre training.

2. Combine Learning and Application and Correctly Handle the Relationship Between Study and Work

Training for the cadres should closely combine the working realities of the cadres at their posts to raise the quality of the cadres and the quality and efficiency of their work. They must learn the knowledge appropriate to their job so as to combine learning and application and ensure that special training is suited to the job. This is the basic principle in cadre training. Yet at present, some units do not have a well-organized and careful principle for their training work. Often, they select people for training at the last moment, blindly and with a great deal of casualness. Some cadres mainly select the schools and specialties which accept people easily, without much consideration for the needs of the job and career development. Some special courses offered by the units running the schools are also rather irrational. According to the survey of special courses for the cadres in the city's higher institution of learning, from 1982 to 1985, 825 students were enrolled in the study of party theory, constituting 24 percent of the students in the special courses; yet not many of the professional personnel needed by the contingent of the cadres have been trained. For example, 200 students were enrolled in the specialty of finance and accounting, accounting for only 6 percent of the total enrollment; the number was even smaller for the specialty of politics and law which had only 70 students or 2 percent of the total enrollment.

The correct handling of the relationship between specialized learning and the needs of the job requires first of all control and adjustment from a broad perspective. The entire city must formulate training programs for different cadres based on their present conditions and manpower projection and offer different kinds of special training classes based on real need. As much as possible, we should create conditions for offering more specialties such as management, finance and accounting, and politics and law which are in short supply but are urgently needed. The various units running schools should coordinate with each other to better adjust the specialized curriculum.

Moreover, we have to develop gradually the depth and breadth of the training program based on the needs of the various developing enterprises. First, the most fundamental is to assure that cadres at their posts learn what they are doing. Under the present circumstances, we should and can make the training suited to "what is lacking." Second, we should, step by step, coordinate cadre training with manpower needs, plans and implementation of the developing enterprises. With the developments in

production, technology and various enterprises, there will be new problems and knowledge and demands on the cadres to master such new knowledge and skills. In this regard, we should have the farsightedness to provide training promptly and organize the cadres to acquire new knowledge and skills, to broaden their learning and to undergo retraining.

3. Rationalization of the Structure and Levels of Learning and Correctly Handle the Relationship Between the College and Secondary Technical Levels

The emphasis in the last few years has been on the college and not the secondary technical level. Those running the schools vied to be promoted to a higher grade and prefer to run colleges rather than secondary technical schools. A considerable number of cadres ignore the realistic standards and conditions and try to use every means to go to college rather than secondary technical schools. According to a survey in 1983, there were about 1.38 million cadres receiving training in television, sparetime and correspondence colleges and through self-study; about 870,000 of them are at the college level and 510,000 are at the secondary technical school level. The ratio of college to secondary technical education for Beijing's cadres also revealed this "inverted" phenomenon. As far as this is concerned, we should adopt practical and effective measures to expand and accelerate the training at the secondary technical level.

To speed up cadre training at the secondary technical level is urgently needed to improve the standard of Beijing's cadres. About one-third of our city's cadres have a junior high educational level and to raise their standard to the secondary technical level is the major task in the entire cadre training program; it is vital to improve the quality of the cadre contingent.

Only through the acceleration of cadre training at the secondary technical level can we gradually make the personnel structure of the cadre contingent more rational and suited to actual needs. There is a serious shortage of secondary professional personnel in Beijing and the ratio of college to secondary technical personnel is 1:1. At present, a considerable number of personnel with relatively high professional training cannot devote themselves fully to production, technical, research and management work because they have to expend a lot of effort on tasks which should have been done by personnel at a lower level. This is a waste of talents.

4. Implement Cadre Training for Everyone and Correctly Handle the Relationship Between Long-term and Short-term Classes and On-leave and Sparetime Training

With the regularization of cadre training, some comrades believe that regular training involves the offering of long-term and on-leave classes. This understanding is one-sided. This year, in enrolling new students for the on-leave second-year-study college and secondary technical classes, we encountered the problem of a shortage of "sources of production." Besides

other factors, going on leave for long-term study is an important factor in creating a contradiction between work and study.

Cadre training is directed not at a few people only but at the entire cadre contingent. Every cadre should constantly improve their political and professional quality to meet the demands of their work. It is a right as well as a duty for every cadre to participate in regular study and training. From the perspective of life-long education and training for the entire cadre contingent, the most realistic form of cadre training must be mainly short-term classes and sparetime training.

In general, short-term classes carry out different kinds of specialized training combining the needs of different trades and professions and re-education. They can be as short as a few days or weeks, or as long as 3 or 5 months. They are short but useful, combining study and work so that what is learned can be applied. If the units want to offer such classes, they can; and if the cadres are willing to learn, they can. This is the future direction for cadre training and is also a concrete plan for the implementation of the system in which cadres at their posts will be on leave every 3 years to study for 3 to 6 months. To take long-term classes which requires a leave of 2 to 3 years so as to raise an academic level, learn new professional skills or obtain a second degree is, although necessary, feasible for only a few people; it will be difficult for the majority. At present, there are more 2 or 3-year college and secondary technical classes and judging from the realistic situation of the cadre contingent, they are necessary. Yet after certain number of years, we should mainly adopt the form of short-term training by rotation.

The correct handling of the relationship between on-leave and sparetime study will allow us to better resolve the contradiction between work and study. In general, concentrating on on-leave study can free us from the interference of work so that we can study better and the quality may be better guaranteed. Therefore, we should plan, if at all possible, to select and transfer people for on-leave study. Yet, the cadres at their posts all have duties and tasks and cannot go on leave for study. A lot of people still insist on working and through organizing partial-leave or no-leave formats, they enroll in study. This fact is shown clearly this year when the number of people registering for sparetime study has doubled. Moreover, cadre training is not a one time thing, it is a form of life-long education. Besides regular study, every cadre will take a short leave every 3 years or so for a period of study. This cycle will continue, forming a system of cadre education. Only when such a form of training is implemented will the life-long education of cadres be realized.

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NORTHEAST REGION

HEILONGJIANG'S SUN WEIBEN ATTENDS SPRING FESTIVAL MEETINGS

Spring Festival Tea Party

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[Excerpts] On the afternoon of 1 February, the provincial CPPCC Committee and the United Front Work Department under the provincial CPC Committee jointly held a Spring Festival tea party at the Beifang building with the participation of responsible persons of democratic parties and noted personages.

Attending the tea party to exchange festive greetings were leading comrades of the provincial CPC Committee, the provincial People's Government, the provincial Advisory Commission, the provincial People's Congress, the provincial CPPCC Committee, and the provincial Discipline Inspection Commission; members of the National CPPCC Committee and NPC deputies currently in Harbin City; Standing Committee members of the provincial People's Congress and the provincial CPPCC Committee; responsible persons of various democratic parties, industrial and commercial federations, returned overseas Chinese federations, the Taiwan Compatriots Fellowship Society, and of religious circles; and nonparty patriotic personages and noted personages from various social circles.

Sun Weiben, secretary of the provincial CPC Committee, delivered a speech at the tea party in which he hoped that the broad masses of nonparty friends will continuously develop the spirit of treating each other with all sincerity and sharing weal and woe and offer their precious critical opinions confidentially and unreservedly to the party in order to help the party make a success in straightening out party style and to help the province better do its work.

At the tea party (Lin Yanming) and (Zhang Ronghua), noted provincial Beijing Opera actors, presented a performance of opera episodes.

Harbin Forum

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[Text] A forum attended by the provincial party, government and military leaders to mark the 1986 Spring Festival was held in Harbin today. Present at the forum were responsible comrades of the provincial CPC Committee, the

provincial Advisory Commission, the provincial CPPCC Committee, the provincial Discipline Inspection Commission, and the PLA units stationed in the province.

Sun Weiben, secretary of the provincial CPC Committee, spoke at the forum. He said: In 1985 the province scored great work achievement. This is inseparable from the vigorous support of the commanders and fighters of the PLA units stationed in the province. In 1985 the PLA units stationed in the province rendered more than 800,000 workdays to help the province build material civilization. When the province was hit by many serious natural calamities last year, the People's Army spared no efforts in providing disaster relief and dealing with emergencies, thus, making contributions to the civilians. In addition, the PLA units stationed in the province played a leading role in building spiritual civilization. The extensive army-civilian joint activity has promoted the improvement of social conduct. Reviewing work in 1985, our province should further improve the work of resettling the military cadres and demobilized soldiers transferred to civilian work and the work regarding the family members of servicemen. Sun Weiben also expressed the hope that in the new year our province will receive more support from the PLA units, and will further strengthen the unity between the army and the government and between the army and the people in order to contribute to the building of spiritual and material civilizations.

The forum was presided over by Hou Jie, governor of the province. (He Zhaoqian), head of a certain PLA unit spoke at the forum on behalf of the PLA units stationed in the province and various armed police forces. Also speaking were Ma Chunwa, political commissary of the provincial Military District; Wang Rensheng, deputy secretary of the Harbin City CPC Committee; (Zhao Liansheng), secretary of the Songhua Jiang Prefectural CPC Committee; and Du Dianwu, political commissar of the provincial Armed Police Force.

Addresses Harbin Forum

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[Text] This afternoon, the provincial People's Congress Standing Committee invited the members of the provincial People's Congress who were staying in Harbin to a forum to celebrate the 1986 Spring Festival. Sun Weiben, secretary of the provincial CPC Committee, attended the forum. Governor Hou Jie briefed the members participating in the forum on the current situation of the province's economic structural reform and on the work of the provincial People's Government. The members expressed satisfaction over the work of the provincial People's Government the past year.

On 3 February, personages of the provincial-level theoretical, theatrical, press, and publishing departments and a number of retired veteran cadres were invited to a forum to celebrate the Spring Festival. Attending the forum were leading comrades of the provincial CPC Committee, including Sun Weiben, Huang Feng, and Liu Chengguo. Also attending was Zhang Ziangling, responsible comrade of the provincial Advisory Commission.

At the forum Sun Weiben said: I hope that the comrades engaging in building spiritual civilization will strive to make new contributions in 1986 and during the Seventh 5-Year Plan period with the aim to promote the development of the two civilizations, and a fundamental improvement in party style and in social conduct at large.

On the afternoon of 3 February, more than a hundred returned Overseas Chinese in Harbin and representatives of family members of Overseas Chinese residing abroad happily met together at a tea party to celebrate the Spring Festival. Chun Yunlin and Zhou Wenhua, deputy secretaries of the provincial CPC Committee, attended the party to extend congratulations. Also attending the party were Chen Lei, chairman of the provincial Advisory Commission; and Wang Zhao, chairman of the provincial CPPCC Committee.

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NORTHEAST REGION

GAI DI PAYS SPRING-FESTIVAL VISIT TO JILIN PLA

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[Excerpt] On 30 January, the north spring city was decorated with auspicious snow and permeated with a joyous atmosphere here and there. With profound sentiments of friendship from the people of all nationalities throughout the province, some Spring Festival groups composed of members of the provincial and Changchun City party, government, and army organizations as well as civilians of all nationalities came to the provincial Military District, the PLA unit stationed in Changchun, and the Veterinary Medical College of the PLA to cordially visit and salute the on-duty PLA commanders and fighters and the patients at the PLA hospital. These groups were headed by Gao Di, secretary of the provincial CPC Committee; Wang Xianjin and Wang Zhongyu, deputy secretaries of the provincial CPC Committee; and Liu Yunzhao, Standing Committee member of the provincial CPC Committee and vice governor of the province. Deputy heads of these groups were leading comrades of the provincial CPC Committee, the provincial People's Congress, the provincial People's Government, the provincial CPPCC Committee, the provincial Military District, the PLA unit stationed in Changchun, the Changchun City CPC Committee, and the Changchun City People's Government.

At 0800 while arriving at the organ of the provincial Military District, Gao Di, Dong Su, Hui Liangyu, (Zhou Zaikang), Zhang Baohua, (Wu Yixia) and other leading comrades were warmly received by the PLA commanders and fighters. At the meeting room of the provincial Military District, Comrade Gao Di said: [Begin recording] On behalf of the leading party, government, and army organizations of the province and Changchun City as well as the people throughout the province, I hereby express my festive greetings and pay early Spring Festival calls on the leaders, commanders, and fighters, as well as their family members, of the provincial Military District. On arriving at the provincial Military District, we are very happy to observe the new atmosphere in which we each are presented only with a cup of tea. There is a saying that the friendship of worthies is as light as water. Such a new atmosphere is completely a response to the call of the CPC Central Committee. Seeing that our party style has been improved like this, I believe that there must be bright prospects for our party. We provincial comrades should learn from the comrades of the provincial Military District. [end recording]

During the conversation, Comrade Gao Di spoke highly of the outstanding achievements scored by the commanders and fighters of the provincial military

district in building the troops and supporting the localities. (Zhou Zaikang), leading comrade of the provincial Military District, pledged to continually strengthen the unity between the army and the government and between the army and the people in this new year in order to live up to the expectations of the people throughout the province.

Then, Comrade Gao Di visited the on-duty cadres and fighters of the signal company of the provincial Military District and some patients at the No. 2089 hospital of the PLA.

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NORTHEAST REGION

JILIN OFFICIAL REPORTS ON LITERACY CAMPAIGN

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[Text] Changchun, 2 February (XINHUA)--Anti-illiteracy efforts in Northeast China's Jilin has reduced the province's illiteracy rate among its 22.8 million population to four percent, an official of the Provincial Education Department said here today.

Zhao Wenqing, chief of Jilin Province's Education Department, said the province last year won a prize from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization for its achievements in wiping out illiteracy.

Since 1979 the provincial government has spent a total of 185 million yuan on the literacy campaign focusing on the rural areas, where 65.5 percent of its population live. An educational network for the peasants has been formed in rural Jilin, which covers literacy classes and later stages of adult education, he said.

The province's anti-illiteracy drive involves 100,000 volunteers from the educated local residents, in addition to the 2,200 specially trained professionals. About 300,000 middle school students and pupils also help.

Special textbooks have been prepared for the peasants which enable them to learn agrotechniques while learning to read and write.

Peasants who pass examinations are given certificates and an area's work in this regard is appraised by the proper authorities in accordance with the national standards. People have to sit in examinations before getting employed by rural enterprises, he added.

The popularization of knowledge about family planning through literacy classes brought down the province's natural population growth rate to six per thousand last year.

The anti-illiteracy drive has in addition enriched the rural cultural life in the province, Zhao said. Cinemas, theaters, libraries and peasants' amateur troupes have been set up in many places. In some areas peasants now have the habit of reading newspapers.

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JILIN CPC OFFICIAL SPEAKS ON LITERARY-ART SHORTCOMINGS

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[Text] At the third enlarged plenary session of the Fourth Committee of the provincial Federation of Literary and Art Circles which opened today, Wang Zhongyu, deputy secretary of the provincial CPC Committee, spoke on the current situation on the provincial literary and art front and the tasks facing us. In his speech he stressed the necessity of rectifying the guiding ideology for literary and art work, and giving full play to the positive role of literature and art in building material and spiritual civilizations.

Having fully affirmed the achievements scored by the provincial literary and art front, Comrade Wang Zhongyu pointed out: Over the past few years the broad masses of literary and art workers have done much work, created many outstanding works, and made great contributions to building socialist spiritual civilization. Affected by various ideological trends, however, many films, television plays and literary and art works are of poor quality. Some of them are created in a rough and slipshod way, and their contents are shallow and hypocritical. Some are vulgar and boring. Some pander to the low tastes of the minority of readers or the audience and blindly seek high box-office proceeds and distribution figures. Some are divorced from the realities of life and the four modernizations, and are unsuitable for the ideas and actions of the people. Some appreciate and pursue the bourgeois abstract theory of human nature. Some even publicize and advocate the bourgeois idea of liberalization and negate the four fundamental principles.

Such problems have also emerged in our province in varying degrees. All these situations show that some of our comrades engaged in literary and art work are not sufficiently correct in their guiding ideology, in particular the guiding ideology for creation; have departed from the Marxist ideological line; and have deviated from the orientation that literature and art should serve the people and socialism. If we let such situations spread unchecked, they will bring serious harm to us.

With regard to the ways of rectifying the ideology guiding literary and art work, Comrade Wang Zhongyu said: First, we should conscientiously study basic Marxist theory and guide the creation work with a scientific world outlook. Second, we should enthusiastically delve into the realities of the four modernizations and reform, exert ourselves in reflecting the actual situation of our times, and devote ourselves to describing the images of the new persons

of socialism. Third, we should correctly handle the relationship between the social and economic results of spiritual products and give priority to the former. Fourth, we should strengthen and improve ideological and political work on the literary and art front and constantly improve the political quality and moral character of literary and art workers.

Comrades Liu Jingzhi and Yu Lin also spoke at the session. They expressed their ardent expectations of the literary and art workers of our province.

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JIXI CITY PUNISHES LEADING CADRES FOR VIOLATIONS

SK010458 Harbin Heilongjiang Provincial Service in Mandarin 1000 GMT 31 Jan 86

[Text] On 31 January, the Jixi City CPC Committee held a rally on straightening out party style and strictly enforcing the law and discipline in order to strictly deal with a number of cases involving leading cadres' violations of law and discipline.

At the rally, 12 cadres at the county and regiment levels were punished in line with party and administrative discipline. The city CPC Committee also read out the dispositions of the nine cases, such as the violation of the law, the commission of crimes, the search for personal gain by taking advantage of power, the serious neglect of duties in work, and the search for personal privileges in holding family ceremonies in a big way by taking advantage of children's wedding parties and school admission occasions and accepting gifts, money, and houses.

(Wang Jinqun), former secretary of the Party Committee of the Jixi City Construction Company, was degenerate with regard to ideology and paid no attention to the law and discipline by viewing obscene videotapes on many occasions at his home or office and committing gangster-like crimes. The City Party Committee decided to dismiss him from the party and to hand [word indistinct] his case to the judicial organs to determine any criminality involved.

(Li Yongshan), deputy director of the transport and sales section under the Jixi Mining Administrative Bureau, diverted more than 29,800 yuan of public funds to buy cars for his relatives. With the approval of the City Party Committee, the Party Committee of the Mining Administrative Bureau decided to punish him by placing him on one year probation within the party and to dismiss him from the post of deputy director.

(Zhao Zhong), former vice president of the Jixi City Design Institute, embezzled more than 4,000 yuan of public funds. The City Party Committee decided to hand over his case to the judicial organs for determination with regard to criminality.

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BRIEFS

DEMOCRATIC PARTY LEADERS VISITED--From 4 to 5 February, responsible comrades of the Jilin Provincial CPC Committee, including Gao Di and Wang Zhongyu, separately went to the dwelling places of the responsible comrades of various democratic parties, including Geng Yuelun, Guan Mengjue, Yu Ruihuang, Chang Shengsan, Zhu Jinghang, (Pei Shuyun), (Liu Shixian), and Cai Qiyun, and responsible comrades of the Federation of Industry and Commerce, including Miao Zhuxian, and noted nonparty personages, including Zhang Dexin and (Wu Shisu), to visit them. The responsible comrades of the provincial CPC Committee extended Spring Festival greetings to them amid an atmosphere of warmth, sincerity and unity, asked them about their living and working conditions, and wished them good health and a long life. They also expressed the hope that they will make greater contributions to the four modernizations. The responsible comrades of various democratic parties, the Federation of Industry and commerce, and the noted nonparty personages expressed the determination that they, under the leadership of the provincial CPC Committee and with the spirit of treating each other with all sincerity and sharing weal and woe, will extensively unite with the patriotic personages at home and abroad, do a good job in all spheres of work in our province, and make new contributions to reunifying the motherland at an early date. [Text]
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SPECIALISTS, PROFESSORS VISITED--The afternoon Sun Weiben, secretary of the provincial CPC Committee, went to the Harbin Engineering University to extend Spring Festival greetings to the specialists, professors, and rear-service personnel who have made outstanding contributions to scientific research and teaching work. A few days ago Comrade Sun Weiben visited Professor (Ma Zuguang), a laser specialist, at his laboratory. Today Comrade Sun Weiben visited him once again at his house. During the winter vacation, Professor (Ma Zuguang) has still continued his scientific research work. Comrade Sun Weiben praised him for his outstanding achievements in leading others to do scientific research work. At the home of Professor (Wang Qulong), director of the welding research office of Harbin Engineering University, Comrade Sun Weiben was informed that at present some young scientific researchers still want to change their profession due to their bad living conditions. Then he said: The fact that you veteran comrades stay here to do scientific research work has given a great impetus to the work of our province. We will gradually solve some practical problems for you. I hope that you will play an even greater role in training more competent persons in an effort to vitalize the provincial economy. Comrade Sun Weiben also visited Professors (Hong Jun) and

(Lei Tingquan). [Text] [Harbin Heilongjiang Provincial Service in Mandarin 1000 GMT 5 Feb 86 SK] /12913

MODEL WORKER VISITED--This morning, together with leading comrades of the Siping City CPC Committee, Gao Di, secretary of the provincial CPC Committee, and Wang Zhongyu, deputy secretary of the provincial CPC Committee, who are on a special trip to Siping, called on (Niu Tianju), deputy to the Sixth NPC, special-class model worker, and excellent party member, at the city's First People's Hospital. On behalf of the provincial CPC Committee, Comrade Gao Di cordially extended festive regards to Comrade (Niu Tianju), and asked him in detail about his physical condition, since he underwent two surgical operations recently. Comrades Gao Di and Wang Zhongyu were very glad to hear that (Niu Tianju) is recuperating. Knowing that the Siping City machine tool accessories plant, where (Niu Tianju) had worked, overfulfilled the production task for the first quarter of this year 55 days ahead of schedule, Comrade Gao Di said to (Niu Tianju), "the people of the whole province are learning from your great contributions to the party." He also said: "I was told that you devoted yourself to work, have sponsored the party committee meetings even while ill in bed. Your working enthusiasm is worthy of emulation." Just before parting, Comrades Gao Di and Wang Zhongyu wished (Niu Tianju) a speedy recovery so that he can attend the NPC to be convened this March. [Excerpts] [Changchun Jilin Provincial Service in Mandarin 1030 GMT 6 Feb 86 SK] /12913

LI LIAN, ZHAO DEZUN ATTEND SOIREE--More than 700 veteran cadres from the provincial level organs got together at the Zhongshan Theater in Harbin City on 31 January to hold a soiree on the occasion of Spring Festival. At the soiree, Li Lian, former secretary of the provincial CPC Committee, and Zhao Dezun, retired veteran cadre of the provincial level organ, sang songs on stage. Participating veteran cadres presented a program of "The Yellow River Cantata." Also attending the soiree were Li He, Chen Jianfei, and Wang Yilun. [Text] [Harbin Heilongjiang Provincial Service in Mandarin 2200 GMT 31 Jan 86 SK] /12913

REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE'S MEETING ENDS--The 16th enlarged meeting of the provincial Revolutionary Committee of the Kuomintang concluded on 3 February. The meeting called on the members of the provincial KMT Revolutionary Committee to contribute to the realization of the fundamental improvement of party style and the social conduct within this year, to continually carry forward the spirit of treating each other with all sincerity and sharing both good fortune and bad, and to unreservedly offer suggestions to the party as masters of the country and friends who give forthright admonition. During the meeting, members of the provincial KMT Revolutionary Committee examined and discussed the summing-up of the work of the provincial KMT Revolutionary Committee in 1985, and discussed and mapped out the plan for work in 1986. [Text] [Harbin Heilongjiang Provincial Service in Mandarin 1000 GMT 3 Feb 86 SK] /12913

DISASTER-STRICKEN AREA VISITED--On the afternoon of 6 February, Gao Di, secretary of the provincial CPC Committee; Wang Zhongyu, deputy secretary of the provincial CPC Committee; and Comrades (Du Qingling) and (Gu Changchun) visited the people in (Fangzheng) village of Gongzhuling City's Fengxiang township, which was seriously stricken by the flood disasters last year, to

extend regards to the disaster-stricken people, to [words indistinct] and to gain an understanding of the situation with regard to their preparations for the Spring Festival. Comrade Gao Di said: The provincial CPC Committee has decided to ensure the supplies of grain, seeds, and chemical fertilizers for use in this year's production for the disaster-stricken people. The CPC Committees at all levels are firmly attending to the implementation of this decision. (Pan Zhilin), a disaster-stricken peasant, expressed thanks to the leaders of the provincial CPC Committee. Just before departing, the leaders of the provincial CPC Committee wished the disaster-stricken people a cheerful Spring Festival, and urged them to firmly grasp the preparatory work for ploughing and sowing and the production work after the Spring Festival, to strive to restore this year's agricultural production to the level before the disasters, and to make efforts to repay the party's concerns and consideration with concrete deeds. [Excerpts] [Changchun Jilin Provincial Service in Mandarin 2200 GMT 6 Feb 86 SK] /12913

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NORTH CHINA SEA FLEET SUPPORTS SOCIALIST CONSTRUCTION

SK090404 Jinan DAZHONG RIBAO in Chinese 21 Jan 86 p 2

[Text] Since the beginning of last year, in accordance with the instructions of the higher authorities, the broad masses of the commanders and fighters of the North China Sea Fleet have positively participated in and supported the socialist construction of the localities in the course of striving to fulfill all tasks assigned to them by the PLA, thus achieving marked results in this regard. According to incomplete statistics, last year the North China Sea Fleet rendered 170,389 workdays, 6,089 vehicles and machines, and 650 vessels to support the construction projects of the localities. For instance, they gave support to the construction of the Shengli Oilfield and three other large-scale construction projects; the construction of 44 small and medium-sized projects, each involving 1 million yuan or less; and the construction of 197 public welfare projects, such as the repairing of bridges and roads. Meanwhile, they planted some 181,800 trees, dug 122,762 holes for planting trees, and cultivated 11,094 square meters of lawn for the localities. They rushed to deal with emergencies and send disaster relief on 488 occasions, rescued ships and some 460 persons in distress, and rushed to transport 696 tons of goods and materials. In addition, they gave medical treatment to 86,038 civilian patients, and repaired 3,975 farm tools for the rural areas. Thanks to their participation in and support to the socialist construction of the localities, the broad masses of commanders and fighters have not only strengthened their ability but also built up their physical strength. During the past year, another large number of advanced units and individuals have emerged and been awarded.

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FUJIAN AUTHORITIES ISSUE CIRCULAR TO MILITIA

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[Text] The provincial party committee, provincial government, and provincial military district issued a joint circular recently, calling on all militiamen in the province to take active part in the activities to promote both material civilization and spiritual civilization and to make contributions in invigorating Fujian's economy.

The circular said: In the new year, all militia units in the province should continue to pay close attention to their organizational building and do a good job in selected military training among the students of institutions of higher learning and senior middle schools. It called on all militiamen in the province to play a leading role in the following five areas while promoting the two civilizations: developing specialized production and advocating efforts to become wealthy through hard work and diligence or helping others to become wealthier; participating in the reform of various systems, developing scientific research, and carrying out technical renovations; taking part in the building of the special economic zone and other areas open to the outside world and taking the initiative to undertake and accomplish difficult, dangerous, and heavy tasks; participating in promoting socialist spiritual civilization, performing good deeds after the example of Lei Feng, making sure young militiamen's centers and militia clubs are run well, and actively carrying out various kinds of good and meaningful results of the four modernizations drive, and helping bring about a turn for the better in the social conduct.

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FUJIAN PLA COMMISSAR ON MILITIA TRANSFER ACTION

OW051421 Fuzhou Fujian Provincial Service in Mandarin 1130 GMT 4 Feb 86

[Text] (Tong Lizhi), political commissar of the Fujian Military District, recently pointed out: It is necessary to take action to implement the central authorities' decision on relocating county and city People's Armed Forces Departments under local governments. A guiding principle for this task is not to shift difficulties or burdens onto others, nor leave unfinished jobs to others. What should be done is to turn over to local governments the People's Armed Forces Departments with good leading bodies, good troops, and good equipment.

Since June 1985, the leading comrades of the party committees of the Fujian Military District and the military subdistrict have repeatedly visited grass-roots units and generally inspected leading bodies of country and city People's Armed Forces Departments. They have readjusted the leading bodies of the People's Armed Forces Departments in consideration of the latter's long-term interests. The new leading bodies now conform to the principle that cadre ranks have become more revolutionary, younger in average age, better educated, and professionally more competent. The party committee of the Fujian Military District holds that, as the People's Armed Forces Department has a small staff, it should particularly have a cadre force capable of doing its job. The party committee has generally investigated the problems left over from the past in various People's Armed Forces Departments, and properly dealt with those problems. In October 1985, the Fujian Military District discovered that a county people's armed forces department spent some 9,000 yuan of public funds on indiscriminately issuing bonuses, both in cash and kind. The military district immediately assigned cadres from its discipline inspection commission to handle the case, asked the People's Armed Forces Department to make restitution of the funds, informed all county People's Armed Forces Departments of the case, and requested them not to give extravagant dinner parties, illegally divide government property among their personnel, or dispose of government property at low prices on any pretext.

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ORDNANCE MINISTRY, HEILONGJIANG SIGN COOPERATION AGREEMENT

SK080446 Harbin Heilongjiang Provincial Service in Mandarin 1000 GMT 7 Jan 86

[Excerpts] Carrying out reform persistently, our province again achieved new progress in lateral economic ties. Today in Harbin the Ministry of Ordnance Industry and the Heilongjiang Provincial People's Government held a ceremony to sign an agreement on cooperation between the ministry and the province. At present the defense industry has entered a new stage of readjustment, reform, and changes. In operation, it has changed the closed method into an open one; in production, it has changed sole production of products for military use into simultaneous production of products for both military and civilian use; and in organization it has changed the partition between different departments and regions into cooperation between them. The defense scientific and technological industrial enterprises of our province are one of the state's ordnance production bases. They have comparatively advanced equipment and technology, competent staff members and workers, and great production potential. They have so far produced more than 200 products for civilian use, and 10 of them, including minibuses, light cars, washing machines, gas tanks, and light motorcycles, have become the mainstay of the products for civilian use. The Ministry of Ordnance Industry and the Heilongjiang Provincial People's Government decided to experiment with reform of the managerial system in our province by carrying out cooperation between the ministry and the province. Through this cooperation, Heilongjiang, an old military industrial base, will regain its vigor, develop the advantages and potentials of its military industrial enterprises, more effectively stimulate these enterprises to produce products for civilian use, and make new contributions to the development of its economy.

Li Liqing, vice minister of ordnance industry, and Liu Zhongli, vice governor of Heilongjiang Province, signed the agreement on behalf of the Ministry of Ordnance Industry and the Heilongjiang Provincial People's Government respectively.

Zou Jiahua, minister of ordnance industry, spoke at the ceremony.

[Being recording] It is a long-term strategic principle for military industrial enterprises to produce goods for both military and civilian use. This can never be an expedient measure, still less a temporary method for

survival because the tasks of production for military use have declined. Instead, it is a measure to break with the past self-confined sole production of products for military use, and to open the door wide, to expand lateral ties and greatly develop products for civilian use. Through the readjustment and reform, we should enable the ordnance industry to serve not only China's modernization drive but also our economic development. [end recording]

Governor Hou Jie also spoke at the ceremony.

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JINAN PLA UNITS HOLD SPRING FESTIVAL FORUM

Jinan Shandong Provincial Service in Mandarin 2300 GMT 30 Jan 86

[Text] On the afternoon of 30 January, the Jinan PLA units held a Spring Festival forum of retired veteran Red Army cadres at and above the army level stationed in Jinan. More than 200 veteran cadres happily got together to celebrate the Spring Festival of 1986. Among the veteran cadres present at the forum were old soldiers of the Red Army period, old heroes who rendered meritorious military service, and old models who made new contributions to socialist revolutionary and construction.

The forum was presided over by Song Qingwei, deputy commissar of the Jinan Military Region. Commissar Chi Haotian extended warm regards and festive greetings to the veteran leaders and comrades present at the forum and to all retired cadres of the region on behalf of the CPC committee, the organs, and all the commanders and fighters of the region. He praised the veteran comrades for their noble style of taking the overall situation into account and having the cardinal principles in mind, and for their firm party style. He urged the veteran leaders and comrades and all the retired cadres of the region to continuously maintain and carry forward the glorious traditions of our party and our army; maintain good health; do anything within their capacity to sum up experiences, pass them on, give help, and set an example; and make new contributions in the new year.

In his speech, Comrade Li Jiulong, commander of the Jinan Military Region, warmly extended kind greetings to all the veteran comrades present at the forum. He wished them a happy Spring Festival, good health, and success in everything.

Attending the forum were Standing Committee members of the CPC committee of the military region, and principal leading comrades of the organs and Air Force of the military region, the Shandong Provincial Military District, and the Jinan Army School.

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NANJING PLA LEADERS NOTE MILITARY REGION MERGER

OW061435 Fuzhou FUJIAN RIBAO in Chinese 28 Jan 86 p 1

[Text] On the afternoon of 26 January, Commander Xiang Shouzhi and Political Commissar Fu Kuiqing of the Nanjing Military Region met with some of the party and government leaders of Fujian Province in a happy get-together in which they exchanged Spring Festival greetings over a cup of tea and each asked the other's opinion on the ways to step up army building and local construction.

Commander Xiang Shouzhi and Political Commissar Fu Kuiqing first expressed gratitude in behalf of the party committee and leading organ of the Nanjing Military Region to the party committees and governments at all levels in Fujian and the people of the whole province for the contributions they have made in enthusiastically supporting the army to carry out reduction-in-strength reorganization. They went on to note that the former Nanjing and Fujian Military Regions, successfully fulfilled the task of their merger on schedule in accordance with the order of the Central Military Commission and the directive of the three general departments of the PLA. The fact that this task of major importance seldom seen in the history of army building was so smoothly accomplished is inseparable from the vigorous support provided by the party and government departments at all levels in the five provinces and one municipality in east China, particularly those in Fujian Province. At present, much remains to be done to consolidate and develop the results of the merger and there are newly emerged contradictions and problems not originally foreseen which need to be resolved. It is hoped that the local governments will continue to show understanding and render help and support in solving some of these problems.

At the discussion meeting, Chen Xu, chairman of the Standing Committee of the provincial people's congress, warmly praised the PLA units stationed in Fujian for the achievements they have made in their structural reforms and reduction-in-strength reorganization as well as in supporting the localities in economic construction and fighting natural disasters and carrying out relief work.

He said: "It is our glorious tradition to promote army-government unity and army-people unity and localities are duty bound to support army building.

In the future, we will make further efforts to help the PLA units to go a good job in winding up the reduction-in-strength reorganization. As long as conditions permit, we will do our best to solve problems which make it necessary for the localities to act in their own capacity."

Also present in the meeting were Chen Mingyi, Wen Fushan, Xu Jimei, and Zhang Kehui, party and government leaders of the province.

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NANJING PLA LEADERS GREET RETIRED CADRES

OW061217 Nanjing Jiangsu Provincial Service in Mandarin 1100 GMT 5 Feb 86

[Text] Leaders of the Nanjing Military Region and over 300 veteran cadres at and above the corps level and veteran Red Army soldiers, as well as their wives, attended a tea party at Huadong Hotel in Nanjing this morning to greet the Spring Festival. Before the start of the gala get-together, leading comrades of the Nanjing Military Region exchanged greetings with the veteran Army leaders, veteran Red Army soldiers, and veteran comrades, who have retired from the frontline of administrative work.

Fu Kuiqing, political commissar of the Nanjing Military Region, presided over the gathering. On behalf of the party committee, office, and all commanders and fighters of the military region, Commander Xiang Shouzhi extended Spring Festival greetings and warm regards to all retired veteran comrades. He said: The progress achieved by the military region in party rectification, structural reform, military training, logistics supply, and militia work over the past year is inseparable from the sound foundations laid down by the retired cadres. He expressed sincere thanks to their kind concern and support for the Army's work. He also called on them to diligently study the central leading comrades' important speeches on improving party style and play an exemplary role in bringing about a fundamental improvement in party. In conclusion, he wished them good health and longevity.

Nie Fengzhi, member of the Central Advisory Commission and former commander of the Nanjing Military Region, and Xiao Wangdong and Du Ping, former political commissars of the military region, also spoke on the occasion. They said: Cadres, both retired and active on the frontline, should strive to improve party style. They should set strict demands on themselves and their children in order to maintain political integrity in their remaining years.

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QINGHAI SECRETARY MEETS SOLDIER FROM LAOSHAN FRONT

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[Text] Yin Kesheng, secretary of the provincial CPC committee, hopes that the fighters who are natives of Qinghai who have returned from the Laoshan front, will continue to carry forward the indomitable spirit they cherished at the front and score achievements at their new posts.

In his office on the morning of 29 January, Comrade Yin Kesheng received (Dong Shigang), a graduate of the Xian Army School, who has just returned from the Laoshan front. (Dong Shigang) is also a graduate of the Qinghai Nationality College. In 1984, he went to study at the Xian Army School. Last year he and four other students who are natives of Qinghai went to the Laoshan front. He is now assigned to the Qinghai Military District.

Comrade Yin Kesheng inquired about the situation at the front of the five soldiers who are natives of Qinghai Province. When he learned that all five comrades who took part in the war had rendered meritorious service and that they had been promoted, he was very glad. He held (Dong Shigang's) hands, saying: You went through the test of battle in the battlefield and won honor for the people of Qinghai. Comrade Yin Kesheng encouraged (Dong Shigang), saying: Now that you have come back from the front, you will go to a new PLA unit, and some of you will do local armed forces work. At your new posts, you must cherish your honor, correctly view the social phenomenon, continue to carry forward the brave spirit you cherished at the front, and make new contributions toward the improvement of party style and the four modernizations.

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SHENYANG ARMY, PEOPLE HELP DISASTER AREAS

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[Article by reporter Li Yuezhu]

[Excerpts] Shenyang, 5 Feb (XINHUA)--The soldiers and the people who forged a profound friendship during the fight against flooding and in disaster relief in the disaster areas of the northeast are paying attention to performing practical deeds during the spring festival's "two supports" activities; thus adding a new chapter to a harmoniously relationship.

In view of the fact that many areas in the northeast were hit by unusually large floods and suffered much damage last year, leading comrades of the Shenyang Military Region and three northeast provinces reached a consensus to reduce high level activities in the "two supports" activities held during the spring festival period. Soldiers and people should do more practical work, especially in helping the masses in disaster areas solve actual difficulties. After having overcome unusually large floods together with the people of Liaoning, the troops stationed in Liaoning again mobilized 8,000 commanders and fighters and, braving a blizzard, fought along the Liaohé dike and repaired irrigation works damaged by floods.

Many units stationed in disaster areas also organized visiting groups, going deep into and disaster areas, visiting household after household, inquiring after the masses over food supplies, living conditions, necessities during the spring festival, and preparations for farming. They did their best to help solve problems.

Despite heavy losses and a tight budget, governments in disaster areas are still allocating special funds for preferential arrangements for the livelihood of families of martyrs and soldiers and demobilized and retired soldiers ensuring them a happy spring festival. Cadres and masses in disaster areas have said: Soldiers are willing to sacrifice their lives in fighting floods and doing relief work. Even if we had suffered a bigger disaster and had met with greater difficulties, we should have made good arrangements for the families of soldiers and martyrs to enable them to have a happy spring festival.

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SHENYANG MILITARY REGION POLITICAL COMMISSAR LIU SHENYANG

Inspects Chifeng Garrison

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[Newsletter by XINHUA reporter Li Yuegui and correspondent Du Hengyang: "Three Pieces of Glad Tidings in One Day"]

[Excerpts] Shenyang, 6 Feb (XINHUA)--Early in the morning on 4 February, train No 388 from Shenyang whistled and pulled into Chifeng Railway station on schedule. Liu Zhenhua, political commissar of Shenyang Military Region, was on board to visit the commanders and fighters at Chifeng Garrison.

That morning Huang Zaiyu, garrison commander, reported to Liu Zhenhua on the work of the garrison. Dwelling on the work following reorganization of the garrison, he explained nine problems existing in the unit as well as unhealthy tendencies, grassroots construction, military training, and livelihood of the fighters. His explanations were detailed, specific, and showed no intention of concealing anything. Afterward, he presented the practical problems honestly and asked the upper authorities for assistance.

Liu Zhenhua was aware of the arduous task and numerous difficulties in reorganizing Chifeng Garrison and pleased with the progress. The garrison commander did not boast about the achievements or gloss over the problems. Listening to the report and bearing in mind the problems, Liu Zhenhua again smiled with satisfaction.

At a conference for cadres at or above regimental level in Chifeng Garrison in the afternoon, Liu Zhenhua smiled broadly and said: "Today is the beginning of spring. With the fresh spring breeze blowing across my face, I am happy to learn of three pieces of glad tidings on the first day of my visit in Chifeng. You have rectified the malpractice of according the leaders with obsequious receptions; foregone feasting and wining; and redressed the tendency to boast and exaggerate."

Celebrates With Soldiers

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[Article by XINHUA reporter Li Yuezhu and correspondent Du Hengshi]

[Excerpts] Harbin, 8 Feb (XINHUA)--On New Year's Eve, laughter was heard from Second Company of a certain unit in the foothills of Da Hingan Ling. A veteran armyman with snowy hair joyously took part in a party with the fighters.

He was Liu Zhenhua, political commissar of Shenyang Military Region, who had come from Shenyang to celebrate the Spring Festival with the border fighters. On New Year's Eve, the party committee of Shenyang Military Region decided to focus its work on improving party workstyle at the grassroots units in the new year. To this end, the party committee decided to organize more than 4,000 leading cadres at or above the regimental level and office cadres of the military region to form some 1,800 working groups. The groups were to visit the various PLA companies and celebrate the new year with fighters. In addressing the cadres to be sent to the companies, Liu Zhenhua passionately said: After arriving at the military units, the fighters have handed over everything to our care. The elder cadres must act like parents or brothers by taking care of the fighters and by cherishing them. So we must happily celebrate the Spring Festival with them. Liu Zhenhua therefore took the lead by going to Second Company stationed in a remote area far beyond the Great Wall.

The evening party jubilantly went on. Liu Zhenhua heartily sang with the border fighters, joined in their performances, and set off firecrackers in celebration of the Spring Festival.

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SICHUAN MEETING ON MILITIA WORK TASKS

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[Text] The provincial armed forces commission held a plenary meeting on 5 February to seriously study relevant central documents, sum up the commission's work in 1985, and arrange the tasks for 1986. Yang Rudai, secretary of the provincial CPC committee and chairman of the commission, presided. Ren Yinglai, chief of staff of Sichuan Military District, delivered a work report.

The meeting decided that six major tasks should be tackled this year: 1) Seriously study and implement the spirit of the relevant central documents and take a successful first step in readjusting and reforming militia and reserve service work. 2) Extensively launch the militia to take part in building the two civilizations and take the lead in getting rich by hard work and by legal means. 3) Do a good job of building the organs of the provincial military district and the military subdistricts, and of party rectification and hand-over work in the county People's Armed Forces Departments. 4) Continue to do a good job in building militia training bases. 5) Investigate and study urban militia work reform issues, include militia work in enterprise management, and also organize pilot projects in and gradually promote military training in senior secondary schools and colleges and universities. 6) Reform militia training with the focus on specialized and technical forces and cadres. Training should be closely integrated with nurturing talented persons.

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YUNNAN SPECIAL CARE FOR MARTYRS' FAMILIES, DISABLED SERVICEMEN

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[Text] The province's governments and departments at various levels have done well in giving special care to the families of servicemen martyred and disabled in the battle of self-defense against Vietnam.

Since the beginning of last year, the province's localities have carried out a large-scale campaign of giving special care to families of martyrs of the battle at Lang Shan. They expressed the deep concern of the party and government about the families of martyrs. They promptly helped the families solve their everyday problems. Various counties and districts in Kunming City organized groups led by party and government leaders. The counties and districts sent the groups to each martyr's family to express their sympathy and solicitude.

On the 1 August Army Day, Qujing Prefecture held a forum of families of martyrs, and settled problems discussed at the forum. Upon learning that the mother of martyr (Li Kaihua), who lived in (Xinzhong) District, Huize County, and who won the First Class Merit Citation, had been sick for a long time, the county government gave her a monthly allowance for daily expenses. Leading comrades of Luliang County CPC Committee, government and armed force department visited the family of martyr (Cheng Xinzhong) and gave his family members some mooncakes as gifts. They also celebrated the Mid-Autumn Festival with the family members who were deeply moved by this.

In connection with the requirements of the provincial government circular, between New Year's Day and the spring festival this year, various localities visited the families of martyrs and presented them with an inscribed board of honor, antithetical couplets, and gifts. They also made sure that regular care was being given to them. According to incomplete statistics, the province has given over 2.5 million yuan's worth of regular care to families of martyrs. This sum has been handed over to the families.

Through the work of giving special care and expressing sympathy and solicitude to the families, various localities have conveyed the concern and warmth of the party and masses. Many families of the martyrs expressed their intention to do well in production so as to support the army and the building of four modernizations.

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SHANGHAI AIR FORCE REORGANIZATION--PLA Air Force units stationed in Shanghai completed restructuring their administration and reduction-in-strength reorganization a few days ago. Keeping in mind the actual situation in the course of the reorganization, the Air Force units in Shanghai educated the officers and men that they should have lofty ideals, take the whole situation into account, feel it glorious to be law abiding, and consider making contributions a pleasure. Taking the initiative in putting words into actions, members of the units' party committees solemnly declared that they will always be ready to give up all they have for the sake of the interests of the party and the people. In their heart-to-heart talks with cadres, Commander Wu Guangyu and Political Commissar Qin Yichang guided them to concentrate on accomplishing all projects well, thus ensuring the normal progress of the reduction-in-strength reorganization. [Article by reporter Wu Lin] [Text] [Shanghai JIEFANG RIBAO in Chinese 28 Jan 86 p 1 OW] /6662

ANHUI PLA INTELLECTUAL RESOURCES--Educational circles in Anhui have scored fruitful achievements in supporting the Army with intellectual resources. A total of 1,430 cadres of PLA units under the Anhui Provincial Military District have undergone training and received diplomas from institutes of higher learning or senior middle schools in the province. Upon hearing the gratifying news, Commander Li Yuanxi and Political Commissar Zhang Linyuan of the provincial military district praised the educational circles' contribution to the modernization of the People's Army. With the vigorous support of the province's educational circles, 43.3 percent of the cadres of the provincial military district are graduates of institutes of higher learning or secondary specialized schools, and 95.7 percent have at least senior middle school education. All cadres will have at least a senior middle school education by the end of this June. The provincial military district called a science and general knowledge forum today to especially thank Anhui's educational circles for their support to the Army and their contribution to its modernization with intellectual resources. Seventeen schools were commended and presented with banners and souvenirs for their advanced activities.

[Excerpts] [Hefei Anhui Provincial Service in Mandarin 1100 GMT 21 Jan 86 OW] /6662

JIANGSU PLA FOOD BASE--The first stage of the PLA Yancheng Nonstaple Food Base, named by Hong Xuezhi, deputy secretary general of the Central Military Commission and director of the PLA General Logistics Department, was completed on 7 February. According to the evaluation of experts concerned, the 69 prawn-breeding farms covering a total area of 2,050 mu and the reservoir with a storage capacity of 130 cubic meters all fully meet the standards. The Yancheng Nonstaple Food Base is a major project launched by the Nanjing Military Region in accordance with the instructions of Chairman Deng of the Central Military Commission to ensure that the living standards of PLA troops will not decline with fluctuations in commodity prices. Located in Sheyang County, Yancheng City, it is the biggest all-purpose fish farming base currently available to all the military services. [Text] [Nanjing Jiangsu Provincial Service in Mandarin 2300 GMT 7 Feb 86 OW] /6662

ZHEJIANG ARMY INSPECTION TOURS--Around the new year, 6 leading comrades and more than 40 government and party cadres of the Zhejiang Provincial Military District have made inspection tours to various military sub-districts and People's Armed Forces Departments to investigate the situation in observing party discipline, improving party style, streamlining and reorganizing the Army, and carrying out winter training among militiamen. Some of them went to places where tangerines grow abundantly and to localities with hairtail fish and shrimp. However, no one packed them up in large or small boxes and brought them back to their offices. Just before the new year, Li Qing, commander of the provincial military district, together with six staff cadres and department heads, visited the Jiaxing Military Sub-district to inspect some county's Armed Forces Departments. They turned down dinner invitations and refused gifts. Some comrades offered to buy some locally produced woollen materials for the guests at preferential prices, but they politely declined. Deputy Political Commissar (Shi Wei) came to Zhoushan on a work tour. A relevant department offered him some shrimp. He said: We come here to work, not procure things. We simply cannot accept any special local products. [Text] [Hangzhou Zhejiang Provincial Service in Mandarin 0400 GMT 31 Jan 86 OW] /6662

NANJING HOSPITALIZED CADRES VISITED--On the morning of 4 February, leading comrades of the Nanjing Military Region Xiang Shouzhi, Fu Kuiqing, (Guo Chao), Wang Chengbin, and Shi Yuxiao separately went to the military region's general hospital, the 1 August hospital, and the Nanjing sanatorium to call on the old comrades and the wounded and sick from the Laoshan frontier. The leading comrades shook hands with the hospitalized comrades one by one and held cordial conversations with them. They joyfully told the comrades about the progress made by the PLA units in the Nanjing Military Region in reforming their structure in 1985 and the new achievements they made in rectifying party style, in educating and training qualified people who are useful in both civilian and military fields, and in building centers for the development of spiritual civilization with the joint efforts of soldiers and civilians. They hoped that the hospitalized comrades would feel happy to hear the good news and wished them good health and long life. They also wished that the wounded and sick soldiers from the frontier would draw strength from the good news and win new merits. [Text] [Nanjing Jiangsu Provincial Service in Mandarin 2300 GMT 4 Feb 86 OW] /6662

FUJIAN COMMANDER AT SPRING FESTIVAL--The Provincial Working Committee for Veteran Cadres and the Provincial Bureau of Veteran Cadres Affairs sponsored a Spring Festival get-together for retired cadres of organs directly under the provincial jurisdiction at the Provincial Veteran Cadres Activities Center this morning. Leading comrades of the provincial CPC committee, the Provincial Advisory Commission, the Provincial Discipline Inspection Commission, the Standing Committee of the Provincial People's Congress, and the provincial government including Xiang Nan, Hu Ping, Hu Hong, Cheng Xu, and Gao Hu had a happy gathering to greet the Spring Festival with some 500 others including such veteran comrades as Wu Hongxiang, Jia Jiumin, He Minxue, and He Ruoren; widows of veteran comrades including (Zhang Feng), (Gao Jingxi), and (Lin Xiguang); and member of the Provincial Advisory Commission who happened to be in Fuzhou and part of retired veteran cadres of organs directly under the provincial jurisdiction. Li Mintang, vice chairman of the Provincial Working Committee for Veteran Cadres, presided over the gathering and addressed it. Leading Comrades Xiang Nan, Hu Ping, and Cheng Xu also gave extemporaneous speeches. They wished veteran cadres a happy Spring Festival and healthy long life. Comrades at the gathering viewed literary and art programs and then attended a garden party sponsored by the Provincial Veteran Cadres Activities Center. [Text] [Fuzhou Fujian Provincial Service in Mandarin 1130 GMT 7 Feb 86 OW] /6662

JINAN PLA SOLDIERS VISITED--Leading comrades of the Jinan Military Region went out of their offices to visit and greet the cadres and soldiers of the Army, and spent the Spring Festival together with the commanders and fighters. On the morning of 8 February, Chi Haotian, political commissar of the Jinan Military Region, visited the first battalion of a certain unit engaged in telecommunications. In six work rooms, he asked every soldier their name, age, native place, and health with deep concern. Li Jiulong, commander of the Jinan Military Region, visited a farm and oil refinery of a certain unit to extend festive greetings to the cadres and soldiers there. At the farm, Commander Li visited the chicken and the milk workshops attentively, held cordial talks with the cadres and soldiers of the farm, and urged them to exert the efforts of a tiger in the Year of the Tiger to win still greater successes. During the festival period, leading comrades of the Jinan Military Region visited the cadres and soldiers of more than 10 units. All the visits were conducted without prior notice and in a very simple manner without any welcome or farewell parties. The cadres and soldiers said that the visits of the leading cadres brought them both festive greetings and a good work-style of hard work and plain living. [Text] [Jinan Shandong Provincial Service in Mandarin 2300 GMT 9 Feb 86 OW] /6662

AHNUI RETIRED PLA CADRES--In 1985, a total of 5,484 PLA cadres were sent to Anhui for transfer to civilian jobs. These military cadres will be assigned to respective local units first and then offered professional training before they are given specific jobs this year. [Summary] [Hefei Anhui Provincial Service in Mandarin 1100 GMT 23 Jan 86 OW] /6662

JIANGXI DEMOBILIZED ARMY CADRES--The party committee of the PLA Unit 32380 conducted ideological education among 95 cadres who were demobilized as a result of the reduction-in-strength reorganization. They reported to their new posts in old revolutionary bases or remote mountain areas on time after receiving work notices last December. [Summary] [Nanchang Jiangxi Provincial Service in Mandarin 1100 GMT 15 Jan 86 OW] /6662

SHANGHAI GARRISON COMMANDER--On Lunar New Year's Day, commanders and fighters of the Good Eighth Company on Nanjing Road and the garrison brigade of a certain PLA unit were on duty at the north railway station and Pier No 16 to help maintain order during the Spring Festival traffic rush. In the morning, Ba Zhongtan, commander of the Shanghai Garrison District, and Ping Changsi, political commissar, went to the train station and pier to comfort the commanders and fighters, as well as the workers on duty. [Text] [Shanghai City Service in Mandarin 0100 GMT 10 Feb 86 OW] /6662

JIANGXI MILITARY LEADERS--On the eve of the Spring Festival, the party committee of the Jiangxi Provincial Military District sent several comfort groups led by Wang Baotain, Wang Guande, Shen Shanwen, (Liu Ziming), and (Chen Lijiu), Standing Committee members of Party Committee of the Provincial Military District, to call on 820 retired cadres in the various military sub-districts, cadres retirement centers, hospitals, and some armed forces departments in various prefectures and cities of the province. They extended Spring Festival greetings to the veteran comrades, heard their views and requests, and helped solve problems. [Text] [Nanchang Jiangxi Provincial Service in Mandarin 1100 GMT 8 Feb 86 OW] /6662

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CHIANG CHING-KUO'S SON DISAVOWS POLITICAL AMBITIONS

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[By Hsin-hsin Yang]

[Text] Taipei, 22 February (AFP)--President Chiang Ching-kuo's son, Chiang Hsiao-wu, insists he has no political ambition and some here say he proved it by taking a relatively low-ranking post as deputy representative in Singapore.

"I've never played any political role before and I probably never will," the 40 year old, publicity-shy Mr Chiang told AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE in his first press interview.

But other pundits say the second of the president's three sons, a broadcast executive for the last decade, might be in line for power despite all denials that a Chiang dynasty was in the works.

Mr Chiang, who left for Singapore Tuesday, gave the interview three months ago but asked that publication be delayed to avoid adding any fuel to the campaigns for local elections in November and early this month. The man dubbed by some here as "the prince" has managed to stay out of public view for most of his career but could not avoid public speculation on the Nationalist-ruled island.

If it wasn't rumours that he would succeed his 75 year old father, it was that he was secretly heading Taiwan's security networks. He acknowledged that he's had numerous offers to enter politics over the last 15 years from people eager to cash in on the family name. But Mr Chiang added: "So far I've been successful in declining them."

Indeed, the soft-spoken, well-dressed bachelor, who stands tall in Taiwan at five feet, eight inches, (178 centimeters), said that 40 years as a member of Taiwan's first family left power with little attraction for him.

"People are always talking about the quest for power and the ambition to run the nation by the Chiang family," he said. "But I see only burden, suffering, sacrifice and endless duty living with my grandfather and father. "I have no intention of repeating the same way of life," added Mr Chiang, whose mother was Russian-born and whose grandfather Chiang Kai-shek ruled Taiwan for 27 years before passing away in 1975.

The current president has three other children: ailing son Chiang Hsiao-wen, 50, Chiang Hsiao-yung, a 35 year old businessman dealing in electronics, and daughter Yu Chiang Hsiao-chang, about 47, who lives in the United States.

But Chiang Hsiao-wu has drawn most of the attention. He was named as head of the Hua Hsin Culture and Publication Center at the age of 25 and later ran the state's central broadcasting system and the Broadcasting Corporation of China of the ruling Kuomintang party.

He has served as unofficial envoy on missions to Singapore, South Korea, Japan and other countries as Chairman of the National Association. Mr. Chiang has held other posts to help retired servicemen and promote cultural cooperation. He is vice chairman of Taiwan's amateurs sports federation and a member of the Olympic Committee here.

Raised in a Christian family and educated in the Munich Institute of Political Science, Mr Chiang said he followed the teachings of Buddha "to seek peace of mind." He said his favorite pastimes were reading, golf and playing with his two children whom he took to Singapore: A 13 year old daughter and an 11 year old son from a marriage that ended in divorce.

While in Taiwan, Mr Chiang shunned the limelight, making a rare appearance at an international baseball tournament sponsored by his broadcasting company in November.

Some say the job in the trade mission in Singapore, Taiwan's quasi-embassy in a country that has no diplomatic ties with Taipei, might give Mr Chiang a chance to get out of his father's shadow.

"In the past he was always referred to and treated only as the president's son," said a political commentator who declined to be identified. "Now he'll be recognized in Singapore as a diplomat who has his own style and ways of thinking--a chance to be himself."

Some analysts saw the appointment as President Chiang's way of again squashing speculation that someone from his family would succeed him. But others say that once President Chiang is incapacitated, his son might be forced to pick up the mantle of power, if not as head of state then possibly as a unifying force in a collective leadership after more than seven decades of strongman rule.

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TAIWAN NOT TO PARTICIPATE--Kaohsiung, 18 February (CNA)--Education Minister Lee Huan said Tuesday that the Republic of China will not take part in the 1986 Asian Games to be held in Seoul in September this year because it still has not resumed its membership in the Asian Olympic Council. Lee told a group of coaches who are training the nation's athletes for the 1988 Olympic Games that the nation has tried very hard for a long time to resume its membership in the Asian Olympic Council, but the council so far has not come up with any decision on this issue. "As the time has run out, it would be too late for us to apply to join the games even if the nation regained its membership now," Lee said during an inspection tour of the athletes training center in Tsoying, Kaohsiung. Lee urged the coaches and athletes there not to be upset at being unable to take part in the games, saying that they still have many other opportunities to participate in international sports events. Lee also expressed his confidence in the quality and potential of the nation's coaches and athletes, saying that he believes they will create a glorious era for the nation's sports history as long as they keep on training and improving themselves. [Text] [Taipei CNA in English 0254 GMT 19 Feb 86 OW] /12913

TAIWAN POPULATION--According to statistics of the Interior Ministry, Taiwan area's population stood at 19.26 million as of the end of last December. Of the total, the male population was 9.99 million, and the female 9.26 million. The municipalities of Taipei and Kaohsiung had citizens totalling 2.61 million and 1.3 million respectively during the same period. [Excerpts] [Taipei International Service in English 0200 GMT 18 Feb 86 OW] /12913

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